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Monsoon Behaviour
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Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the India Meteorological Department predicted above normal temperature across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to check the serious situation;

(c) whether the Government has predicted the current years monsoon behavior and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is expecting less rain and drought like situation in various States including in Kerala and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to assess the impact of less rain and drought on agriculture sector and animals and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES
(SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY)

(a) Yes Madam.

(b) Hot Weather Season (March to May) outlook for 2017 suggests that above normal temperatures (up to 1.0o C) are likely to prevail over all meteorological sub-divisions of the country except northwest India where temperatures are likely to be more than 1.0Â° C above normal.

Above normal heat wave(HW)conditions are likely over the core heat wave zone (Punjab, Himachal? Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Delhi, Haryana, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh, Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Odisha and Telangana and met subdivisions Marathwada, Vidarbha, Madhya Maharashtra and coastal Andhra Pradesh) of the country. IMD also issues heat wave alerts and warnings for 5-7 days and outlook for subsequent 7 days.

The State Meteorological center of IMD in association with various State Governments have been closely coordinating in organizing appropriate actions to issue the heat wave alerts so as to minimize the public exposure and to provide due assistance to the vulnerable people (Senior citizens and children) from the sun stroke related incidences. The efforts of IMD are supported by expanding the outreach of heat wave alerts by State Government agencies through print/visual media and others civil society organization.

(c) No Madam.

(d) No Madam.

(e) Does not arise.